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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Official Action mailed October 30, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of the remaining claims in view of the amendments and comments set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 5 of this paper.

A duplicate Certified Copy of the priority document is enclosed herewith, along with a Katz-type declaration signed by Dr. Schreiber.